



## Input sought on names for Kellogg Conference Hotel rooms

The Gallaudet University Recognition Committee is seeking input from the campus community, including alumni, on a list of suggested names for nine main rooms at the Kellogg Conference Hotel (KCH).

The Recognition Committee was requested by Gary Aller, executive director of Business and Support Services, who has oversight of the KCH to name the facility's ballroom and eight meeting rooms on the first and second floors. A tenth room, the executive boardroom, is being named by the Board of Trustees.

In March, the campus community and alumni submitted more than 60 names to the KCH Room Naming Committee. After an extensive review, the committee pared the list to 19 names and now seeks to reduce the list to the required nine names by August 26. The committee will make final recommendations to the Recognition Committee this fall. According to the procedures as defined by the Recognition Committee, President Jordan will make the final selections.

The nominees for Kellogg Conference Hotel rooms are:

- **Katie Brown, '64 (1917-2002)**, counselor and advocate. She was the first deaf African American member of the Gallaudet Board of Directors. She was also a counselor at the Jewish Vocational Service Agency in Chicago, Ill., and served on the Advisory Committee of the National Technical Institute for the Deaf. In recognition of her leadership in the deaf community, Chicago Mayor Harold Washington proclaimed January 9, 1987, "Katie Brown Day."
- **Byron Benton Burnes, '26 (1904-1999)**, teacher and leader. He was very active in the National Association of the Deaf and was president of the organization from 1946 to 1964. He taught at three schools for deaf people, mostly at the California School for the Deaf, Berkeley.

- **Alan Benn Crammatte, '32 (1911-1996)**, teacher. He was a faculty member in the Business Administration Department at Gallaudet for over 20 years, encouraging countless students to dare to dream about working in the business field. A tireless fundraiser, Crammatte, along with his wife, Florence Bridges Crammatte, '35, led the successful effort to raise funds for the restoration of "Ole Jim."
- **Deaf President Now (1988)** In March 1988, Gallaudet experienced a watershed event that led to the appointment of the University's first deaf president. Since then, Deaf

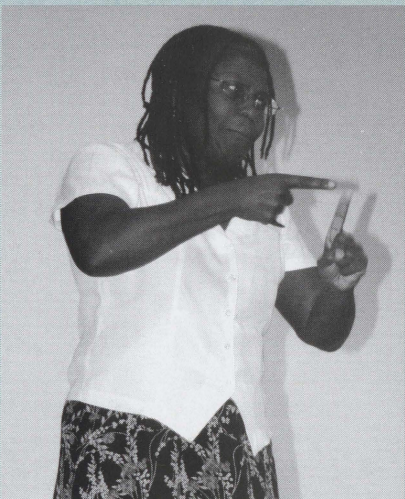
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The Center for Academic Programs and Services (CAPSS) held an assessment workshop June 6 and 7 for its 40 members to demonstrate the teaching role of academic support staff and to provide faculty and staff with the knowledge and abilities necessary to assess student learning outcomes. Units in CAPSS include Academic Advising, the Career Center, the Office for Students with Disabilities, the First Year Experience, the Office of International Programs and Services (OIPS), and Tutorial and Instructional Programs. The opening day of the workshop featured a presentation entitled "Enriching the Academic Experience: Assessing Academic Outcomes" by Dr. Victoria McGillin, assistant provost and dean of studies at Wheaton College in Norton, Mass., who was recently appointed associate provost of Texas Women's University in Denton, Tex. She has served as a consultant to numerous colleges and universities on advising, curriculum development, assessment, and program development and written extensively on the topics. Here, McGillin (third from left) is pictured speaking with members of OIPS at a breakout session following her talk. (Also pictured is GIS interpreter Bobby Loeffler, second from left.)



The 2005 KDES Recognition Day, held June 15 in MSSD's Theatre Malz, paid tribute to 16 honorees who were presented certificates for completing the school's academic program. Dr. Laurene Simms (below), an associate professor in the Department of Education and guest speaker for the program, asked the honorees if they had "It"—the motivation and inner drive to succeed. As one of eight siblings growing up in a poor but proud family, Simms said her father encouraged his children "to always do your best and good things will happen." The result was that all of the children received college educations, and two of them—including Simms—earned Ph.D.'s. Simms talked about several quotations that have guided her through her life, all dealing with perseverance, taking risks, and learning from mistakes in order to obtain goals. The farewell speaker for the honorees was Cierra Cotton; the poem "ASL I Love You More" was recited by Natacha Pericles. Serving as mistress and master of ceremonies were Rosita Bonilla and Joseph Conard. This year's honorees, and the special awards they received, are (above, from left): kneeling—Cierra Cotton (Kendall Home School Organization Award, Kendall School Cup, Wildcat Award); Edward Corporal; David VanBoxlaere, Jr. (Linwood Smith Award, Wildcat Award); Sean Harden (Elizabeth Jackson Award, Wildcat Award); Xian Huang (Malcolm Norwood Award, Wildcat Award); Corey Balzer (Wildcat Award); standing—Antisha Wilson; Jacob Bailey; Joseph Conard (Wildcat Award); Rosita Bonilla (Wildcat Award); Serina Arellano (Malcolm Norwood Award); Natacha Pericles; Miguel Ramos; Desmond Kerkulah; Frederick Ussery; and Andre McKenzie.







## ASK AUNT SOPHIE

**Dear Aunt Sophie,**  
Is it true that the University is going to demolish the Mary Thornberry Building and the Library? And replace Ballard North and West with new dorms? Wow. This is what I call "radical surgery." What's the story?  
**Curious About Construction**

Dear Curious,

Poor ol' Thornberry. Surely few tears will be shed when the time comes to commit that most peculiar configuration of steel beams and fake rocks to the Great Rubble Heap in the Sky. What do you suppose the archi-

texts were thinking [or smoking] when they conceived that unfortunate edifice?

The eventual demise of Thornberry and the other buildings you mention [and the new structures and green spaces that will replace them] are all part of the Facilities Master Plan [FMP]. Aunty urges you to take time to read in its entirety this carefully thought out strategy by going to [af.gallaudet.edu](http://af.gallaudet.edu) and clicking on the FMP icon on the upper right side of the screen. You will discover, as I did, that the plan paints a lovely picture of what our little island of academic bliss may look like in the not too distant future—if all is copasetic, meaning for the most part that we are able to secure private funding for the projects described in the plan. Equally important is the rationale supporting the FMP—it makes perfect sense to me. And wait until you see what's in store for Hanson Plaza!



President Jordan presents Patricia Kunkle, executive assistant to the president and Board of Trustees liaison, a plaque in recognition of her 10 years of service to the University.

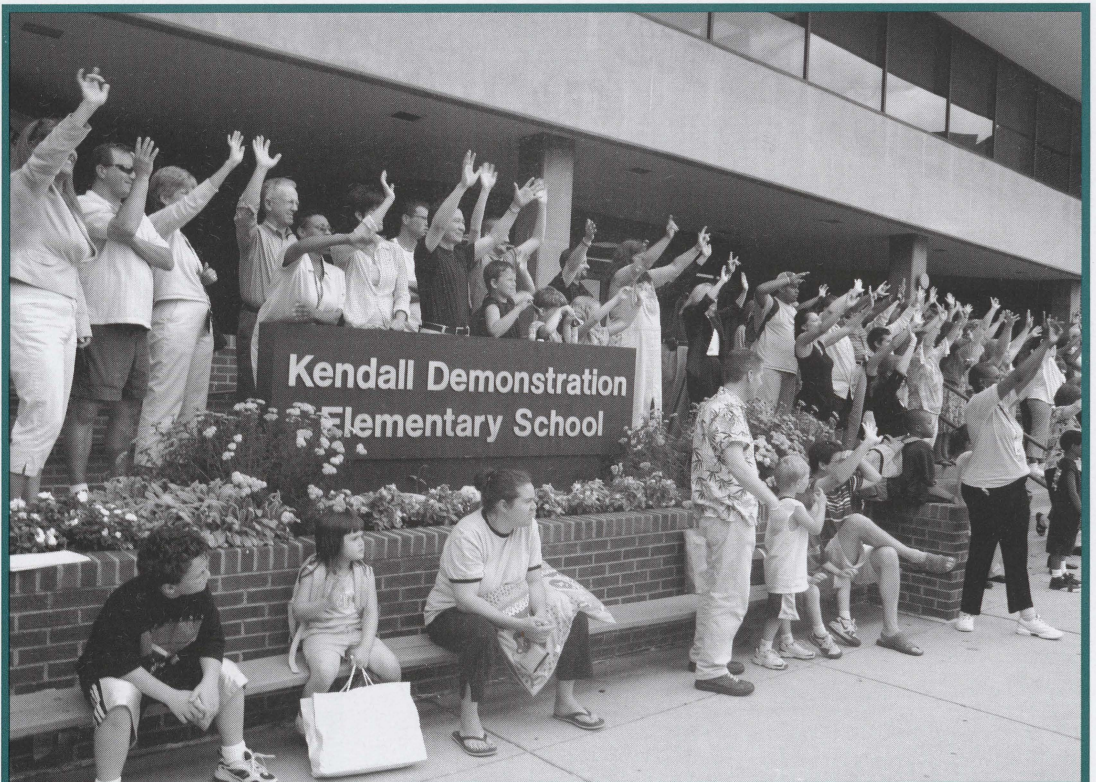
## Worldwide survey to gauge deaf people's use of communication technology

Deaf people all over the world are being asked to participate in a research project about the deaf community's use of new communication technology.

The results of the project, "A Survey for Deaf People: Using SMS, TTYs, Relay Services, Fax and Computers," led by Dr. Des Power of Griffith University and Dr. Mary Power and Louise Horsmanshof of Bond University in Queensland, Australia, will provide more understanding and publicity about deaf people and their communication uses and needs.

The survey deadline is July 30. It can be found at: [www.surveymaker.com.au/sm/survey.cfm?survey=1243](http://www.surveymaker.com.au/sm/survey.cfm?survey=1243). By answering the survey, the researchers will know that the respondents agree to the research. Questions may be addressed to Power at [d.power@griffith.edu.au](mailto:d.power@griffith.edu.au)

The *Journal of Deaf Studies and Deaf Education* has published the researchers' first paper on deaf people's use of Short Message Service (SMS). The paper can be read at: [deafed.oupjournals.org/cgi/reprint/9/3/333?ijkey=BXKY7uKxqiB&Aw&keytype=ref&siteid=deafed](http://deafed.oupjournals.org/cgi/reprint/9/3/333?ijkey=BXKY7uKxqiB&Aw&keytype=ref&siteid=deafed)



Continuing an annual tradition, KDES teachers and staff gather on the front steps of the school on the last day of school (June 21) to bid farewell to students as the buses take them home for summer vacation.



## AMONG OURSELVES

**Andrew Phillips**, a senior majoring in government, is one of eight students chosen for the 2005 Mitsubishi Electric America Foundation/AAPD Congressional Internship Program. He is interning in the office of Senator Barbara Boxer (D-Calif.). The paid summer internship program was designed to provide college and university students with disabilities the opportunity to obtain firsthand knowledge of the legislative and political process, and a unique learning experience that enriches their educational endeavors and enhances their future career opportunities.

**Dr. Michael Moore**, a professor in the Department of Chemistry and Physics, gave a Commencement speech entitled "Milestones in Your Lives" to the graduating class of 21 seniors at the Marie H. Katzenbach School for the Deaf, West Trenton, N.J., on June 17. Moore was invited to give the speech by Joshua Beckman, president of Katzenbach's Class of '05. Beckman, whose older brother, **Noah Beckman**, is a Gallaudet student, became acquainted with Moore last spring after visiting his class during an Open House.

An article about a new deaf ministry at Greater Mount Nebo AME Church in Bowie, Md., that was co-founded by Biology Department Chair **Ann Powell** and Loretta Lacy, both members of the church, was featured in the June 23 issue of the Prince George's County, Md., edition of *Gazette Newspapers*. According to the article, the ministry's goals are accessibility, advocacy and evangelism. A recent workshop to help church members understand the deaf community included a panel discussion with **Dr. Carolyn McCaskill**, assistant professor in the Department of ASL and Deaf Studies, Albert Couthen, noted educator and past president of National Black Deaf Advocates, Marcillus Hartsfield, a CODA, and Bonita Feagan, a deaf member of the church.



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## CLERC CENTER HAPPENINGS

### KDES students among top finalists for Global Virtual Classroom web project

Students from Kendall Demonstration Elementary School's (KDES) Team 6/7/8 placed second among 57 schools from around the world in this year's Global Virtual Classroom (GVC) contest with their project, "Backyard Animals." The contest entries ranged in theme from natural disasters (inspired by the tsunami of December 2004), to cultural comparisons of countries, to space colonization.


The GVC project is a collection of free, on-line, educational activities and resources. It aims to complement the efforts of governments and education departments from around the world to integrate technology into the classroom and curricula and to link schools to the information superhighway. The GVC contest challenges schools to build websites that are judged on the quality of their content and presentation, and on collaboration with other schools.

The KDES students used the Internet to communicate and build a website with students from Waitomo Caves School in Waitomo Caves, New Zealand, and Merton Elementary School in Cote St. Luc, Quebec, Canada.

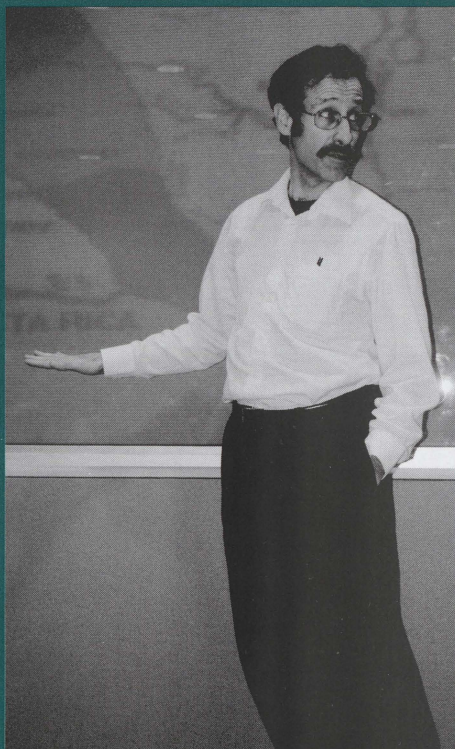
In the introduction to their "Backyard Animals" website,

one student describes the project: "Backyard animals include wild, tame, native and non-native animals living in our countries. Our project includes discovering the animal in us, researching our animal friends, and learning how pets go wild. These topics were selected in collaboration by the students from schools in Canada, New Zealand, and the United States."

"It was a great experience to work with schools from other countries," said Rosemary Stifter, instructional technology specialist, who worked on the project with the students. "The students enjoyed seeing their work on the Internet and were very proud of what they accomplished. It is important to establish collaborative relationships with students around the world to broaden their learning experiences. We hope to develop international and national collaborations with hearing and deaf schools in the future."

The KDES students decided to use the \$500 award money to purchase digital video equipment for the team. To visit their site, go to: [gvc04.virtualclassroom.org/gvc04c06/](http://gvc04.virtualclassroom.org/gvc04c06/). 

James Shepard-Kegel, known for his involvement in the Nicaraguan Sign Language Project (NSLP), shares his experiences on with students enrolled in Foreign Languages, Literatures, and Cultures associate professor Cristina Berdichevsky's "Spanish 111" and "Spanish 112" courses. According to NSLP's web site, its "Escuelita" (Little School), which opened in 1995, is the first school for deaf children to be established in the Bluefields region of Nicaragua. Over the past decade, the project has evolved into an apprenticeship program for deaf teachers, as well as a full-year school for 30 children and young adults. Shepard-Kegel's June 10 presentation was supported by CLAST and co-sponsored by Foreign Languages, Literatures, and Cultures, and Multicultural Student Programs. The event was held in connection with a service-learning project that Berdichevsky's students completed as part of their assignments. This included a June 17 car wash that raised \$500 for the Bluefields Escuelita.



Dr. James Parker, an associate professor in the Department of Psychology at Trent University, Peterborough, Ontario, Canada, and Canada Research Chair in Emotion and Health, defines emotional intelligence in the context of its role in both the workplace and college at a June 13 presentation in Andrew Foster Auditorium. Recent studies by Parker indicate a strong relationship between strong emotional intelligence and success in college. The presentation was sponsored by First Year Experience and CLAST.



Linda Kozma-Spytek, research associate in the Technology Access Program/Department of Communication Studies, is shown receiving the "Special Friend of People with Hearing Loss" award from Terry Portis, executive director of Self Help for Hard of Hearing People (SHHH) at the SHHH 20th International Convention, held recently in Washington, D.C. The award is given to organizations or people who have worked diligently to improve the lives and circumstances of people with hearing loss.

Photo by Paula Tucker

Participants and instructors in a new certificate program launched by Gallaudet, the Peer Mentor Training Program, are pictured (below) during a seminar that took place at the University on June 30 and July 1. The program is designed to train people with acquired hearing loss to mentor others who are learning to adapt to their hearing losses. It includes five on-line courses over two years, starting with the two-day seminar, led by Dr. Scott Bally and Dr. Matthew Bakke, faculty members in the Department of Hearing, Speech, and Language Sciences, and will end with a five-day seminar at the University in 2007. New groups will start each June. The program is administered by Graduate Education and Extended Learning, and the first class includes 12 students from across the nation. The certificate program is but one facet of a \$5 million grant over five years awarded to Gallaudet two years ago by the National Institute on Disability and Rehabilitation Research, U.S. Department of Education. (Above) At an activity led by Bally, the class is quizzed on the impact of late-onset hearing loss on a person's biological, psychological, and social systems.



## CAMPUS CALENDAR

### July

**18-August 17**—Online Writing Course, part of the Culture and Language Colloquium for incoming graduate students

**21**—Beyond Google: Finding Scholarly Information Using the World Wide Web, MLC-MN12, 12:30-1:30 p.m.

**21-August 19**—Bridge Program and New Signers Program for new freshmen and transfer students

**27**—Beyond Google: Finding Scholarly Information Using the World Wide Web, MLC-MN12, 3-4 p.m.

### August

**1-17**—Culture and Language Colloquium ONLINE, for new graduate students to learn about diversity and deaf culture and the Gallaudet environment

**5**—Graduate summer school ends



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President Now (DPN) has become synonymous with self-determination and empowerment for deaf and hard of hearing people everywhere.



Margaret Drinkwater, stipends/grants specialist in the Career Center, pictured with her co-workers, receives her 25-year service award from Career Center Director Stefan Koppi.

## MSSD seniors honored with Williams Scholarship



Billy Bun and Ryan Orlick, recipients of Alan Robert Williams Memorial Scholarships, are congratulated for the achievement by Joan Williams, Williams' mother.

MSSD's 2005 Awards Assembly was an especially memorable day for Billy Bun and Ryan Orlick.

On the day of the June 6 assembly, both of the graduating seniors learned that they would be awarded Alan Robert Williams Memorial Scholarships in the amount of \$5,000 each to assist with their college expenses. Bun and Orlick applied for the scholarship the previous month and were selected because they demonstrated a great desire to succeed in their education.

The award is named for Williams, a 1984 MSSD alumnus. After graduating, he became fascinated with skydiv-

ing, making over 350 jumps during the 15 years he was involved in the sport, until his death. In his memory, his mother, Joan Williams, and his brother, Paul, established a private trust to support a scholarship to be awarded annually at MSSD to two outstanding seniors who are preparing to enter college.

This year's scholarship winners said they felt honored to have been chosen to continue Alan Williams' memory. They were inspired by Williams' story and plan to tell others about his daring life. Both Bun and Orlick will attend Gallaudet this fall. **G**

- Frederick Henry Hughes, '13 (1892-1956)**, teacher, athletic coach, and actor. He taught at Gallaudet for many years and he was a football coach who inspired his teams with a winning attitude. He also was known as a fantastic drama teacher who inspired a generation of actors and artists.
- Lillian Hahn Skinner, '39 (1918-2000)**, teacher and leader. She was one of the first Asian Americans to graduate from Gallaudet. She was very active in the deaf community and was the first woman to become the chair for the American Athletic Association of the Deaf basketball tournament and a founding member of the California Home for Aged Deaf. Skinner also taught at schools in Maryland and California.
- May Martin Stafford, Class of 1895 (1868-1908)**, teacher. She was the first deaf woman teacher at Gallaudet College and one of the founders of the *Buff and Blue*.
- William C. Stokoe (1919-2000)**, linguist, scholar, and teacher. He was employed at Gallaudet from 1955 until his retirement in 1984. Through his research into sign language he found that American Sign Language has its own language characteristics separate from English. Stokoe also taught English at Gallaudet and was director of the University's Linguistics Research Laboratory.
- George William Veditz, Class of 1884 (1861-1937)**, teacher, scholar, and leader. During his presidency at the National Association of the Deaf, he started a project to preserve sign language by filming deaf leaders signing. He appeared in a 1913 film, *Preservation of the Sign Language*. He was one of the founders of the Colorado Association of the Deaf. Veditz also taught at the Maryland School for the Deaf before moving to Colorado where he taught at the Colorado School for the Deaf and Blind for many years.
- Comments may be sent by e-mail to [roomnames@gallaudet.edu](mailto:roomnames@gallaudet.edu), or through campus mail to the attention of Sam Sonnenstrahl, chair of the Room Naming Committee and director of Alumni Relations, Peikoff Alumni House. **G**
- Harley Daniel Drake, Class of 1902 (1882-1962)**, teacher and farmer. He became manager of the college's farm and taught agriculture and English. He was known for his love of Gallaudet and led a very successful fundraising effort for a building now known as the Edward Miner Gallaudet Memorial Building.
- Lou Fant (1931-2001)**, writer, actor, teacher. The hearing son of deaf parents, he authored several sign language textbooks and interpreted at many events. He acted in films and television programs.
- Edward Allen Fay (1843-1923)**, vice president of Gallaudet, teacher, and journal editor. He was a professor at Gallaudet from 1865 to 1920 and the editor of the *American Annals of the Deaf* from 1870 to 1920. His research was instrumental in disproving Alexander Graham Bell's argument that deaf couples should not be allowed to marry, and discouraged any potential legislation to prevent deaf people from marrying each other.
- Irving Sidney Fufeld, G-'16 (1893-1977)**, teacher, educational administrator, and journal editor. He taught at Gallaudet in 1916, was dean of Academic Affairs from 1939 to 1953, then vice president of Gallaudet from 1953 to 1956. He was an editor of the *American Annals of the Deaf* from 1920 to 1943. He also worked as a staff psychologist at the California School for the Deaf, Berkeley.
- Petra Fandrem Howard, '12 (1891-1971)**, vocational rehabilitation counselor and activist. She worked for the Minnesota Labor Bureau for the Deaf, the first of its kind in the country, as a counselor for vocational rehabilitation for over 40 years. She was actively involved in several deaf organizations.
- Frederick Carl Schreiber, '42 (1922-1979)**, chemist, administrator, and leader. He was a chemist before becoming a community activist who transformed the National Association of the Deaf into a recognized and respected national organization. He was a visionary, a tireless advocate for deaf people and disability groups, and a peerless coalition builder.
- Laura Catherine Redden Searing (1840-1923)**, journalist and author. She became deaf at age 11 and attended the Missouri School for the Deaf. In the early 1860s she moved to Washington, D.C., and became a journalist and author. She met Civil War generals and interviewed President Abraham Lincoln. Searing also wrote several books of poetry.
- Malcolm J. Norwood, '49 (1927-1989)**, teacher and captioned films pioneer. He taught at three schools for deaf students before coming to Washington, D.C., where he was involved with the new captioned films for deaf audiences and eventually helped develop closed captioning for television.
- Leo Marcus Jacobs, '38 (1918-1998)**, teacher, advocate, and author. As the first recipient of Powrie Vaux Doctor Chair of Deaf Studies, he authored *A Deaf Adult Speaks Out*, which is currently in its third edition. He taught at the California School for the Deaf, Berkeley, for over 35 years.
- Art (Abraham) Kruger, '33 (1911-1992)**, leader, coach, and sportswriter. He was one of the founders of the American Athletic Association of the Deaf and a team director for the United States in the World Games for the Deaf, now known as the DEAFLYMPICS, from 1957 to 1966. He was also a sportswriter for the Silent Worker and Deaf American for over 30 years.